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House Resolution 1798

By: Representatives Murphy of the 120<sup>th</sup>, Howard of the 121<sup>st</sup>, Frazier of the 123<sup>rd</sup>, Smith of the 122<sup>nd</sup>, and Jackson of the 142<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Michael Baisden; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Michael Baisden has long been recognized for his talent and charisma and
- 3 his dedication to uplifting the lives of others; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Baisden is a radio personality, television talk show host, best selling author,
- 5 motivational speaker, filmmaker, publisher, entrepreneur, and philanthropist; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devotes his time, talents, and energy to the
- 7 Michael Baisden Foundation, a nonprofit organization which partners with national and local
- 8 organizations to support mentoring efforts and organizations that support children; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Michael Baisden Foundation has donated nearly a half-million dollars to
- 10 other nonprofit organizations throughout the United States that support youth development;
- 11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, a civil rights advocate, Mr. Baisden helped organize the historic Jena 6 March
- and has been honored with a Martin Luther King, Jr., Keepers of the Dream Award; and
- 14 WHEREAS, this compassionate gentleman has helped raise over \$250,000 for Hurricane
- 15 Katrina Relief efforts and has donated \$20,000 and recruited thousands for the establishment
- 16 of free clinics; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Baisden will be stopping in Augusta, Georgia, on March 30, 2010, as part
- of his Million Mentors Tour, a campaign to traveling to over 73 cities and affiliates to
- 19 conduct town hall rallies and panel discussions to raise money for mentor organizations; and

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WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience

- 21 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this
- state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and
- WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
- 24 this distinguished gentleman be appropriately recognized.
- 25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 26 the members of this body recognize Mr. Michael Baisden for his amazing accomplishments
- 27 and commend his selfless service on behalf of others.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Michael Baisden.